

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Group Art Unit 1753	:	
	:	PATENT APPLICATION
Examiner R. McDonald	:	
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In re application of	:	<b>METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR</b>
	:	<b>PREPARING SPECIMENS FOR</b>
FISCHIONE ET AL.	:	<b>MICROSCOPY</b>
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Serial No.: 10/633,130	:	
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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15222

February 8, 2010

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 6, 2009, Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks.

**A Listing of the Claims** begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 20 of this paper.